GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:547
ANSWERED ON:24.07.2003
RAIL PROJECTS IN KERALA
VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals received by the Railways from the Government of Kerala and the Members of Parliament regarding construction of new railway lines, gauge conversion, doubling of railway lines and electrification during the last three years;

(b) the steps taken by the Government thereon;

(c) the details of the each of the new and on-going projects along with the funds allocated and expenditure incurred thereon so far; and

(d) the target fixed for completion of these projects, project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENTREFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS(a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 547 BY SHRI VARKA RADHAKRISHNAN TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 24.7.2003 REGARDING RAIL PROJECTS IN KERALA.

(a)&(b): The details of new proposals received from the State Government during the last three years are as under:-

Sl.No.	Proposal	Action taken
	NEW LINE	
1	Chenganur-Kottarakara	Not taken up.
2	Extension of Kottayam-Erumeli line upto Punalur	Updating survey is in progress.
3	Extension of Tirur/Guruvayur line upto Ernakulam/Cochin	Survey has been completed and the survey report is being updated in view of the traffic likely to be generated at Vallarpadam Container Freight Terminal for which a survey is in progress.
4	Nilambur Road-Nanjangud	Survey is in progress.
5	Extension of Madurai-Bodinayakanur line upto Ernakulam	Not taken up.
6	Tellicherry-Mysore	Survey has been completed. The cost of 298 Km. line has been assessed as Rs. 864 crore. Due to acute constraint of resources, the proposal could not be taken up.
	DOUBLING	

1	Ernakulam-Kayankulam and Cheppad-Kayankulam included in the budget.	Doubling of Ernakulam-Mulanturutti, Mavelikara-Kayankulam		
2	Thiruvananthapuram-Nagercoil-Kanniyakumari	Not taken up.		
	ELECTRIFICATION			
1	Shoranur-Mangalore	Not taken up.		

(c) & (d): The details of each new and ongoing project alongwith the funds allocated and expenditure incurred thereon so far, and the target fixed for completion of these projects, project-wise, wherever fixed are as under:-

Sl.No.	Project	Outlay 2003-04 (Rs. in crore)	Likely expenditure incurred upto March, 2003 (Rs. in crore)	Target date for completion
	NEW LINE			
1	Tanur(Kuttipuram)-Guruvayur	3	0.77	Not yet fixed.
2	Angamali-Sabarimala	10	4.95	Not yet fixed.
3	Kottayam-Erumeli	2	0.10	Not yet fixed.
	GAUGE CONVERSION			
1	Quilon-Tirnelveli-Trichendur and Tenkasi-Virudunagar	25	61.51	Virudunagar-Rajapalayam section has been completed and commissioned. Rajapalayam-Tenkasi is targeted for completion by 31.3.2004. For remaining section, no target date has yet been fixed.
	DOUBLING			
1	Shoranur-Kuttipuram-Calicut	30	75.18	30 Km. doubling is targeted for completion in 2003-04.
2	Calicut-Mangalore	25	506.00	Work completed except Cannanore-Valapattanam.
3	Ernakulam-Mulanturutti	8	10.05	Not yet fixed.
4	Ernakulam Jn.-Marshaling Yard	0.01	6.37	Work completed.
5	Mavelikara-Kayankulam	5	-	Not yet fixed.
6	Cheppad-Kayankulam	5	-	Not yet fixed.
	ELECTRIFICATION			
1	Ernakulam-Trivandrum	21.97	56.96	March, 2004 subject to availability of resources.